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## International Labour Organization Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization

*The General Assembly*,

*Recalling* the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields, including the development goals and objectives contained therein, and recognizing the vital role played by these conferences and summits in shaping a broad development vision and in identifying commonly agreed objectives, which have contributed to improving human life in different parts of the world,

*Reaffirming* the commitment made in the 2005 World Summit Outcome[1] to full and productive employment and decent work for all, including for women and young people, as a central objective of relevant national and international policies as well as national development strategies, including poverty reduction strategies, as part of the efforts to achieve the Millennium Development Goals,

*Recalling* its resolution 59/57 of 2 December 2004 on *A Fair Globalization: Creating Opportunities for All* report of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization,

*Recalling also* its resolution 62/208 of 19 December 2007 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system,

[1] See resolution 60/1.

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*Reaffirming* the resolve expressed in the United Nations Millennium Declaration[2] to ensure that globalization becomes a positive force for the people of the entire world and the commitment to ensuring greater policy coherence and better cooperation between the United Nations, its agencies, the Bretton Woods institutions and other multilateral bodies, with a view to achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals,

*Recognizing* that full and productive employment and decent work for all is one of the key elements for poverty reduction strategies that facilitate the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, and that it requires a multidimensional focus that incorporates Governments, the private sector, civil society, non-governmental organizations, representatives of employers and workers, international organizations and, in particular, the agencies of the United Nations system and the international financial institutions,

*Reaffirming* that development is a central goal in and of itself and that sustainable development in its economic, social and environmental aspects constitutes a key element of the overarching framework of United Nations activities,

1. *Takes note with interest* of the adoption of the Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization[3] and its accompanying resolution at the ninety-seventh session of the International Labour Conference, and calls for their implementation;

2. *Recognizes* that in the present context of globalization, achieving an improved and fair outcome for all has become even more necessary in order to meet the universal aspiration for social justice, reach full employment, ensure the sustainability of open societies and the global economy, achieve social cohesion and combat poverty and rising inequalities;

3. *Also recognizes* that the social impact of the current economic crisis may disproportionately affect the weakest and most vulnerable segments of society with increased poverty, underemployment, growth in inequality and difficult social conditions;

4. *Reiterates* its support for a fair globalization, and resolves to make the goals of full and productive employment and decent work for all, including for women and young people, a central objective of relevant national and international policies, including poverty reduction strategies, as well as other measures which may be developed in response to the current economic crisis, as appropriate, with the aim of achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals;

5. *Supports* the call of the Declaration to promote and contribute to the implementation of an integrated approach to the decent work agenda, based on the four inseparable, interrelated and mutually supportive strategic objectives of employment creation, fundamental principles and rights at work, social dialogue and social protection;

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[2] See resolution 55/2.

[3] A/63/538-E/2009/4, annex.

6. *Reiterates* that the Toolkit for Mainstreaming Employment and Decent Work, as adopted by the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination and endorsed by the Economic and Social Council,[4] provides a practical method for advancing coherence in policymaking and implementation on these issues within the United Nations system;

7. *Requests* the United Nations funds, programmes, specialized agencies and financial institutions to continue to mainstream the goals of full and productive employment and decent work for all in their policies, programmes and activities through promotion of an integrated approach, including the application of the Toolkit for Mainstreaming Employment and Decent Work;

8. *Encourages* Member States to consider applying the principles set out in the Toolkit at the national level in an effort to promote policy coherence around the promotion of full and productive employment and decent work for all;

9. *Recognizes* the particular relevance of the International Labour Organization Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization in the light of the World Day of Social Justice, and encourages active dialogue and collaboration among the various funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system, as well as at the national level, including civil society and non-governmental organizations;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to duly take the International Labour Organization Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization into account when considering related reports in the economic and social fields.

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[4] See Economic and Social Council resolution 2008/18, para. 35.

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**Addendum**

Add the following countries to the list of sponsors of the draft resolution:

**Albania, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Ghana, Haiti, Iceland, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Nigeria, Poland, Slovakia and Spain**

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